

## **Abstract**

5        This invention relates to a lockable container having a locking mechanism that secures a lid of the container to a receptacle of the container. The receptacle comprises a base, a top with a main receptacle opening, and a side wall extending around and between the base and top and having a recess suitable to receive a padlock and having a locking mechanism aperture smaller  
10    than the padlock. The lid is mountable to the receptacle and configured to cover at least a portion of the receptacle opening when in a closed position. The locking mechanism comprises a lock engagement member attached to the bottom of the lid such that when the lid is in the closed position, at least a portion of the lock engagement member extends through the locking mechanism  
15    aperture and into the recess, and is securable in place with the padlock located in the recess.